### "2007 Code Enforcement Activity"

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### Code Enforcement News

- "One Inspector Does it All" 6/11/07
  - Code Inspectors are now responsible for any properties within their Beats (single-family, multi-family or commercial properties)
- Code Rangers
  - 22 out of 140 Code Rangers are from District 2
  - 173 Code Ranger complaints reported by District 2 (out of 1921)
- Graffiti
  - 12 of all reported Graffiti (out of 531)
- Assigned Inspectors in District 2
  - Beat 580-Donna TonasketDonna.tonasket@arlingtontx.gov
  - Beat -370 & 380 Brett Clark

    <u>Brett.clark@arlingtontx.gov</u>
  - Beat 390 Lisa Parks
    Lisa.parks@arlingtontx.gov
  - Beat 570- Kevin Larsen

    <u>Kevin.larsen@arlingtontx.gov</u>

West Supervisor: Kelly Marvel Kelly.Marvel@arlingtontx.gov

# Code Violations by Council District January to June 2007

- Council District 1
  - **24**07 (13%)
    - Corrected 2015 (83.8%)
- Council District 2
  - **3078 (17%)** 
    - **Corrected 2727 (88.6%)**
- Council District 3
  - **4183** (24%)
    - Corrected 3472 (83%)
- Council District 4
  - **3471** (19%)
    - Corrected 2920 (84.1%)
- Council District 5
  - **4736** (27%)
    - Corrected 3884 (82%)

#### Code Enforcement News

#### Code Violations in District 2

- 1. 605 Weeds and Grass
- 2. 504 Trash Out Too Early
- 3. 240 Unclean Premises
- 4. 151 Dilapidated Fences
- 5. 125 Junked Vehicles
- 6. 96 Parking in Yard
- 7. 35 Homes Based Business
- 8. 22 Basketball Goals in Right of Way
- 9. 12 Graffiti
- 10. 7 Illegal Watering
- Total Violations Since January 1, 2007
  - **3078**

#### Graffiti Abatement

Before



After



Before



After



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After



### New Nuisance Amendments Alignment with Council Strategies

- Increased code enforcement
- People feel safe anywhere, all the time
- Reinvigorate neighborhoods
- Improve housing

With a focus on voluntary compliance

### New Amendments to Nuisance Ordinance

Will increase the standard for

- Dilapidated Fences
  - Defined to include deteriorated
  - Improperly positioned
  - Damaged by animals
  - Capable of harming the neighborhood
- Junked/ Nuisance Vehicles
  - Expands to include off road vehicles and boats
  - Applies to vehicles seen from public or private view
  - Defines a nuisance vehicle

### New Amendments to Nuisance Ordinance

- Unclean Premises
  - Includes offensive odors
  - Includes poison oak or ivy to within 50' of property line
- Outside Storage
  - Keeping of non-weather resistant furniture, appliances, tools or cartons outside
  - Firewood not stacked off the ground
  - Tarping of vehicles with material not designed and fitted for that vehicle

### New Amendments to Nuisance Ordinance

- Unsafe/ Neglected Vegetation
  - Landscaping that presents a safety hazard due to death, disease or damage
  - Exceptions specified for gardens, preservation of natural habitat, agricultural crop
- Abatement Procedures
  - Administrative hearing offered on all nuisances

Enforcement of new amendments will begin October 1, 2007

### To report a Code Violation:

- Community Services at 817 459-6777,
   or by email to <u>code@arlingtontx.gov</u>
- Address and type of violation, optional to leave your name/address/phone number

#### AND

Calls are answered 24 hours a day. After normal working hours, complaints will go to voice mail.

## Thank You

Any Questions